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Dear Ms. Dortch and Ms. Flannery:

Re: Dobson Cellular Systems Certification of Expanded additional rate centers for High Cost Support for Rural Carriers purposes, Pursuant to 47 C.F.R. Sections 54.314, CC Docket No. 96.45

The Michigan Public Service Commission hereby certifies that Dobson Cellular Systems has met the current standards for State certification of its expanded rate centers, (SAC 319912), for the purpose of federal high cost support provided to rural carriers. Dobson Cellular Systems has certified that federal high cost support will be used only for the provision, maintenance, and upgrading of facilities and services for which the support is intended, consistent with section 254(e) of the Communications Act of 1934, as amended. This certification is provided pursuant to 47 CFR §§ 54.313 and 54.314 for the years 2005 and 2006.

Pursuant to 47 CFR §§ 54.307(d), 54313(d)(3)(vi) and 54.314(d)(6), Dobson Cellular Systems is eligible to receive high cost universal service support effective November 10, 2005. Attached is a copy of Commission Order No. U-14482 and a list of Dobson's additional rate centers, recently acquired from RFB Cellular.

Sincerely,

Orjiakor Isiogu, Director Telecommunications Division

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BEFORE THE MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMM

In the matter of the application of)	
DOBSON CELLULAR SYSTEMS, INC.,)	
for expansion of its designated eligible	í	
telecommunications carrier service areas	í	Case No. U-14482
in Michigan.	í	

At the November 10, 2005 meeting of the Michigan Public Service Commission in Lansing, Michigan.

PRESENT: Hon. J. Peter Lark, Chairman

Hon. Laura Chappelle, Commissioner Hon. Monica Martinez, Commissioner

OPINION AND ORDER

On April 11, 2005, Dobson Cellular Systems, Inc. (Dobson), filed an application to expand its Eligible Telecommunications Carrier (ETC) designated service area for universal support purposes to include certain additional rate centers acquired in a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) approved purchase of RFB Cellular, Inc., pursuant to Section 214(e)(2) of the federal Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 USC § 214(e)(2).

Dobson requests that the Commission enter an order immediately designating the additional exchanges identified in Exhibit A, attached hereto, as being included in its designated service area and thus eligible for universal service fund (USF) support.

Finally, Dobson asserts that the Commission may act on its application without the necessity of a public hearing.

After reviewing Dobson's application, the Commission finds that it should be granted because the Commission is persuaded that inclusion of the additional exchanges in Dobson's ETC designation promotes the availability of universal service and is in the public interest. Moreover, the Commission concludes, as it did in its November 20, 2001 order in Case No. U-13145, p. 4, that "it need not solicit comment on the application, which would only further delay action on the application."

The Commission FINDS that:

- a. Jurisdiction is pursuant to 1991 PA 179, as amended, MCL 484.2101 et seq.; 1969 PA 306, as amended, MCL 24.201 et seq.; and the Commission's Rules of Practice and Procedure, as amended, 1999 AC, R 460.17101 et seq.
- b. The application filed by Dobson for designation as an ETC in the expanded service areas listed on Exhibit A for purposes of USF support should be granted, with the understanding that Dobson will comply with enhanced service requirements, as required by the FCC Report and Order 05-46, CC Docket 96-45, and the Commission's October 18, 2005 order in Case No. U-14530, after October 1, 2006.

THEREFORE, IT IS ORDERED that the application filed by Dobson Cellular Systems, Inc., pursuant to Section 214(e)(2) of the federal Communications Act of 1934, as amended, 47 USC § 214(e)(2), for designation as an eligible telecommunications carrier for purposes of universal service fund support in the expanded service areas listed on Exhibit A, is granted.

The Commission reserves jurisdiction and may issue further orders as necessary.

Any party desiring to appeal this order must do so in the appropriate court within 30 days after issuance and notice of this order, pursuant to MCL 462.26.

MICHIGAN PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION

Chairman

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Commissioner

By its action of November 10, 2005.

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Its Executive Secretary

EXHIBIT A DOBSON'S REQUESTED ETC SERVICE AREAS

Non-Rural Telephone	TELEPHONE COMPANY Service Area	Wire Center	
Company	Code	,,,,,,,	
Michigan Bell Telephone Co	305090	BDAXMIMN	
		BYPTMIMN	
		CRNLMIMN	
		CRSWMIMN	
		CSVIMIMN	
		ESCNMIMN	
		FRGRMIMN	
		GGTWMIRM	
		GLDSMIGE	
		LXTNMIMN	
		OWNDMIMN	
		PTSNMIMN	
		ROCKMIMN	
		RPRVMIMN	
		SBWNMISB SNDSMIMN	
		UBLYMIUB	
		UNVLMIMN	
		VSSRMIMN	
		VOORINIIN	
erizon North Inc. – MI	310695	CSCYMIXG	
		CSVLMIXH	
		DCVLMIXG	
		EKTNMIXG	
		HRBHMIXG	
		KGTNMIXG	
		MNCYMIXG	

NON-RURAL TELEPHONE COMPANY WIRE CENTERS				
Rural Telephone Company	Service Area Code	Wire Center	Service Area Redefined to Individual Wire Center Level	
CenturyTel of Michigan, Inc.	310702	CAROMIXI KNDEMIXI MRLTMIXI PTASMIXI PTHPMIXI	Dobson Cellular Systems, Inc. – Case No. U-14257 Effective February 2, 2005. (See Footnote 1, supra).	

RURAL TELEPHONE COMPANY WIRE CENTERS			
Rural Telephone Company	Service Area Code	Wire Center	
CenturyTel of Upper Michigan, Inc	310689	GLVRMIXG GRDNMIXG MNTQMIXG	
Chatham Tel. Co., d/b/a TDS Telecom	310685	AUTRMIXI CHHMMIXI SKNDMIXI SNRVMIXI TRNYMIXI	
Hiawatha Telephone Co.	310713	GDMRMIXI HWFRMIXI MNSGMIXJ SENYMIXI SHNGMIXI	
Pigeon Telephone Company	310721	PGENMIXJ	
Upper Peninsula Telephone Company	310732	CRNYMIXJ DNKNMIXI FLCHMIXI FNRVMIXI FTHRMIXI LKGOMIXI MHGFMIXI MRNSMIXI NLNDMIXI SMLKMIXI WLLCMIXA WTMQMIXI	
Wolverine Tel. Co.	310738	FSTRMIXI MGTNMIXI MNGRMIXJ	